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**HUGHES' LOCAL OPTION**

which the House had so summarily squelched. There was Lyle Dickey and Doremus Scudder, Dr. Wadman, Polansky Rath, Principal Horne of the Kamehameha Schools, Dr. Edwards, Frank McStocker, Johnny Martin and one or two others.

The members were in a state of siege, and some of them had fled to the islands and corridors to escape. Several of the bill's most vigorous opponents heaved a deep sigh of relief when the speaker's gavel fell and drove the besiegers to the spectators' gallery.

The bill was called up again by Kameo, who moved to reconsider the action taken yesterday.

Kalelopu, who was the most vigorous opponent of the measure, moved that the report of the Committee of the Whole that the bill be indefinitely postponed, be tabled. Carried.

Kalelopu moved the House go into Committee of the Whole to consider the bill on second reading. Carried. Sheldon took the chair.

Hughes moved that Dr. Scudder be allowed to come before the committee and explain what the local option bill is. Carried.

**DOREMUS SCUDDER TALKS.**

Scudder addressed the Representatives. He began by explaining what he considered the defects of the present law, and said that on account of these defects the local option law had been suggested and has the support of large numbers of people all over the Territory. In thirty-nine States, he said, there are laws which embrace the principle of local option, which is peculiarly an American institution. It has been granted in State after State as a result of the demand of the common people. The principle is that the common people shall rule, shall decide every issue. This institution is absolutely fair; the principle of this bill is the principle of fairness.

**SCUDDER AND KAKAOKO.**

Scudder implored the Representatives to give places like Kakaoko a chance. He predicted that in time, if this bill were to become a law, even Kakaoko would vote to banish saloons. The speaker denied Kalelopu's claim of yesterday that local option would increase the price of the selling of liquor in the Fifth District. If any precinct, under this law, votes in favor of saloons, it will not change conditions a bit. There would be no more saloons than there would be without a local option law, because the applicant for a saloon license must go to work and secure the signatures of property owners the same as now.

**CIVIC FEDS ENDORSE.**

The bill, he said, had the unanimous endorsement of the Civic Federation, which is not a temperance body. It has the unanimous endorsement of the Anti-Saloon League, and of the representatives of 93 of the old churches of the islands.

When Scudder had concluded his 45 minutes' talk, Kalelopu wanted to know what the Civic Federation is. Scudder said it is a body to advance every way the interests of the community. For instance, it has secured the appointment of a commission of six of the most distinguished citizens of the islands to study out educational problems.

He recited other supposed accomplishments of the Civic Feds.

Kalelopu wanted to know if the Civic Feds do not arrogate to themselves the right to endorse or condemn such citizens as they please.

Kameo broke in with a suggestion that the question of the Civic Feds had nothing to do with the matter in hand. He moved that the questions be confined to the merits and demerits of the bill.

Kalelopu explained that as the Civic Federation is said to have endorsed the bill, he wanted to find out what kind of an organization it is.

He then asked if the subject of the bill is not to restrict the sale of liquor. Scudder said it is to restore to the people their right to decide.

"Would not all the precincts vote for saloons if the question were put before them," inquired Kalelopu.

"No, I am sure some of them would vote against saloons, though I am not familiar with the names of those precincts," replied the local option advocate. "I think that in precincts where there are large proportions of Hawaiians, the vote for 'no' would in many instances be large."

**THE LAW, NOT THE PEOPLE.**

Scudder said he thought Kalelopu would bear him out in the statement that during the last century, when the

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Makaweli	30
Onomea	35 3/4
Panahau	14 1/2
Union	45
Do pool	45

liquor traffic was in the hands of the Hawaiian people, the sale of liquor was remarkably restricted. He believed the people were to be trusted.

Kalelopu admitted that under the monarchy the sale of liquor was restricted, but it was on account of a law prohibiting the sale of liquor and not because the people favored the restriction of the traffic.

Scudder hoped the people had been sufficiently educated since then to look at the matter in a different light.

Kalelopu raised the point that the local option matter might interfere with other questions in an election. Scudder thought not.

**FIFTH WANTS ITS BOOZE.**

Kalelopu claimed that all the precincts in the Fifth District would register their votes in favor of saloons. Scudder said this would not increase

the total number any Kalelopu could not see it.

Scudder explained that at present it is as if all the precincts had voted for saloons, but if any precinct were to vote against them, it would simply banish saloons from that precinct, leaving all the others as they are now. Kalelopu wanted to know if Scudder did not think that a vote in favor of saloons would encourage more people in such a precinct to apply for saloon licenses. Scudder thought not, as the law is already so liberal.

**MOKE TONIGHT.**

Kameo moved that the House rise and report progress and ask leave to sit again.

Pall moved to amend to make the hour for sitting 7:30 this evening and that others interested in the question be invited to attend.

Kameo moved to make it this afternoon.

Rice seconded Pall's motion on the ground that the House has plenty of work for this afternoon.

Pall's amendment carried and the committee rose.

**IMMIGRATION.**

The Agricultural Committee reported on House Bill 1198 to define the powers and duties of the Superintendent of Immigration, recommending its passage. The report was adopted and the bill was carried through second reading.

House Bill 154, empowering the Land Commissioner to sell certain public lands, passed its third reading without debate.

House Bill 190, defining the crime of arson and fixing the punishment therefor, came up for final reading and called forth an explanation from Rawlins, who said the bill is designed to remedy certain defects in the present law which were discovered two weeks ago when the two sailors who tried to burn the ship Claverdon were on trial.

The judge instructed the jury that an attempt to set fire to the cargo of a vessel could not be construed as an attempt to burn the vessel herself.

The House passed the bill.

Senate Bill 64, giving certain persons a franchise to manufacture and sell electric light and power, which was yesterday deferred for a week, was taken up on motion to reconsider the action deferring action, and passed third reading.

**HOUSE NON-CONCURS.**

The House refused to concur in the Senate amendments to House Bill 11, providing for the maintenance of the family of a deceased person pending the administration of the estate. A conference committee was appointed by the Speaker.

**GOVERNOR'S BILL DEFERRED.**

The Governor's Bill making special appropriations for the Loan Fund, came up and on motion of Rice was referred to the Committee of the Whole, to be taken up Monday. Rice said he did not see that anything could be done with it until the dam committee had reported.

**GARNISHMENT.**

The Judiciary Committee reported on Moanah's House Bill 144, relating to garnishment, recommending its passage with amendments. The feature of the bill is the increasing from 25 per cent, as at present, to 50 per cent of the amount that may be held out of the salary of a person garnished. The report was adopted and the bill carried through second reading.

**UP TO THE GOVERNOR.**

"It is up to the Governor," is the way the Lands Committee explains why the construction work on the Palolo valley road has never been done. The report of the committee was on House Resolution introduced by Kalelopu in regard to the Palolo and Manoa roads.

The committee feels that the Governor should encourage improvements of the kind which have been neglected. The "cause of failure to complete the construction of said roads: It is up to the Governor of the Territory of Hawaii to explain."

The committee recommended that in case the present appropriation in the Loan Appropriation Bill is not authorized to be expended, these items be again inserted in the new Loan Appropriation Bill, as follows:

Extension and completion Manoa road, \$12,000.  
Completion, Palolo road, \$10,000.

The report of the committee was adopted.

**INCOME TAX DIVISION.**

The Finance Committee reported on House Bill 213, recommending its passage, with amendments. This is the measure by which Oahu makes a donation to the outside counties of about \$60,000 a year. It provides that 50 per cent of the total amount of poll and school taxes, property and income taxes, and all license fees collected in each county shall go to the county, and that for purposes of division and payment, the amount of taxes on income of corporations collected in a county other than that wherein the principal property of such corporations is situated, shall be regarded as having been collected in the county in which its property is so situated.

The committee's report was adopted. Senate Bill 97 passed through second reading and was referred to the Miscellaneous Committee.

The Judiciary Committee reported on three measures.

House Bill 157 was tabled for the reason that its subject matter is covered by House Bill 156, which has passed second reading.

The same action was taken on House Bill 158, it also being covered by House Bill 156.

The committee recommended the passage of House Bill 156, relating to evidence taken at coroners' inquests, with amendment, the amendment covering House Bills 157 and 158. The bill was placed on the calendar for this afternoon.

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